

In the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

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1. (Original) A marine propulsion system, comprising:
    - a first containment disposed in fluid communication with a cooling water system of said outboard motor; and
    - a second containment disposed within said first containment, said second containment
    - 10 being made of a polymer material, said second containment being disposed in fluid communication with a lubrication system of said outboard motor.
  2. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, wherein:
    - said first containment is a drive shaft housing.
  - 15 3. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, wherein:
    - said second containment is an oil sump.
  4. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, wherein:
    - 20 said polymer material is selected from the group consisting of nylon, polyphthalamide, polyester, and vinyl ester based materials.
  5. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, wherein:
    - said polymer material is a matrix with reinforcing fibers.
  - 25 6. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 5, wherein:
    - said reinforcing fibers are selected from the group consisting of glass fibers, aramid fibers, carbon fibers and mineral fillers.
  - 30 7. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, further comprising:

a water conduit disposed within said first containment and external to said second containment.

8. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 7, wherein:

said water conduit is made of said polymer material.

9. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 1, wherein:

said first containment is made of aluminum.

10. (Original) A marine propulsion system, comprising:

a drive shaft housing disposed in fluid communication with a cooling water system of said outboard motor; and

an oil sump disposed within said drive shaft housing, said oil sump being made of a nonanodic material, said oil sump being disposed in fluid communication with a lubrication system of said outboard motor.

11. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 10, wherein:

said nonanodic material is selected from the group consisting of nylon, polyphthalamide, polyester, and vinyl ester based materials.

12. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 10, wherein:

said nonanodic material is a polymer matrix with reinforcing fibers.

13. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 12, wherein:

said reinforcing fibers are selected from the group consisting of glass fibers, aramid fibers, carbon fibers and mineral fillers.

14. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 10, further comprising:

a water conduit disposed within said drive shaft housing and external to said oil sump.

15. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 14, wherein:

said water conduit is made of said nonanodic material.

16. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 10, wherein:

said drive shaft housing is made of aluminum.

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17. (Original) A marine propulsion system, comprising:

a drive shaft housing disposed in fluid communication with a cooling water system of said outboard motor; and

10 an oil sump disposed within said drive shaft housing, said oil sump being made of a nonmetallic material, said oil sump being disposed in fluid communication with a lubrication system of said outboard motor.

18. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 17, wherein:

15 said nonmetallic material is selected from the group consisting of nylon, polyphthalamide, polyester, and vinyl ester based materials.

19. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 18, wherein:

said nonmetallic material is a matrix with reinforcing fibers.

20 20. (Original) The marine propulsion system of claim 19, wherein:

said reinforcing fibers are selected from the group consisting of glass fibers, aramid fibers, carbon fibers and mineral fillers.

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